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For:	<b>SOFT TISSUE ANCHOR AND METHOD OF USING SAME</b>	)	
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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In response to the Office Action of July 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: